

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 622 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 622--FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF OF MEXICO, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

2. In § 622.224, paragraphs (b), (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(iii), and (c)(3)(i) are revised to read as follows:

§ 622.224 Area closures to protect South Atlantic corals.

(b) Oculina Bank--(1) HAPC is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

Point	North lat.	West long.
Origin	28°30'	79°56'56"
1	28°30'	80°03'
2	28°16'	80°03'
3	28°04'30"	80°01'10"
4	28°04'30"	80°00'
5	27°30'	80°00'
6	27°30'	79°54'
7	27°40'30"	79°53'25"
8	27°51'45"	79°53'30"
9	28°00'	79°54'
10	28°05'	79°54'
Origin	28°30'	79°56'56"

**Comment [AC1]:** New table format for Oculina Bank HAPC coordinates

In the Oculina Bank HAPC, no person may:

(i) Use a bottom longline, bottom trawl, dredge, pot, or trap.

(ii) If aboard a fishing vessel, anchor, use an anchor and chain, or use a grapple and chain.

(iii) Fish for rock shrimp in the area on board a fishing vessel. A vessel with a valid commercial vessel permit for rock shrimp that has onboard rock shrimp harvested in an open area of the EEZ may transit through the HAPC, if fishing gear is appropriately stowed. For the purpose of paragraph (b) (iii) of this section, transit means direct and non-stop continuous course through the area, maintaining a minimum speed of five knots and a VMS minimum ping rate of 1 ping per 5 minutes; fishing gear appropriately stowed means that doors and nets are out of the water.

**Comment [AME2]:** Action 2, pref alt 3; transit provision for rock shrimp

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(i) Cape Lookout Lophelia Banks is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

**Comment [AME3]:** Action 4, Pref Alt 2

Point	North lat.	West long.
Origin	34°24'37"	75°45'11"
1	34°23'29"	75°43'58"

2	34°27'00"	75°41'45"
3	34°27'54"	75°42'45"
Origin	34°24'37"	75°45'11"

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(iii) Stetson Reefs, Savannah and East Florida Lithotherms,  
and Miami Terrace (Stetson-Miami Terrace) is bounded by--

(A) Rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following **points**:

Point	North lat.	West long.
Origin	at outer boundary of EEZ	79°00'00"
1	31°23'37"	79°00'00"
2	31°23'37"	77°16'21"
3	32°38'37"	77°16'21"
4	32°38'21"	77°34'06"
5	32°35'24"	77°37'54"
6	32°32'18"	77°40'26"
7	32°28'42"	77°44'10"
8	32°25'51"	77°47'43"
9	32°22'40"	77°52'05"
10	32°20'58"	77°56'29"
11	32°20'30"	77°57'50"
12	32°19'53"	78°00'49"
13	32°18'44"	78°04'35"
14	32°17'35"	78°07'48"
15	32°17'15"	78°10'41"
16	32°15'50"	78°14'09"

**Comment [AME4]:** Action 3, Pref Alt 4

**Comment [AF5]:** Suggest cutting back the number of points describing this area to 60 points to aid fishers' ability to put into GPS system, and to make it easier to enforce.

17	32°15'20"	78°15'25"
18	32°12'15"	78°16'37"
19	32°10'26"	78°18'09"
20	32°04'42"	78°21'27"
21	32°03'41"	78°24'07"
22	32°04'58"	78°29'19"
23	32°06'59"	78°30'48"
24	32°09'27"	78°31'31"
25	32°11'23"	78°32'47"
26	32°13'09"	78°34'04"
27	32°14'08"	78°34'36"
28	32°12'48"	78°36'34"
29	32°13'07"	78°39'07"
30	32°14'17"	78°40'01"
31	32°16'20"	78°40'18"
32	32°16'33"	78°42'32"
33	32°14'26"	78°43'23"
34	32°11'14"	78°45'42"
35	32°10'19"	78°49'08"
36	32°09'42"	78°52'54"
37	32°08'15"	78°56'11"
38	32°05'00"	79°00'30"
39	32°01'54"	79°02'49"
40	31°58'40"	79°04'51"
41	31°56'32"	79°06'48"
42	31°53'27"	79°09'18"
43	31°50'56"	79°11'29"

44	31°49'07"	79°13'35"
45	31°47'56"	79°16'08"
46	31°47'11"	79°16'30"
47	31°46'29"	79°16'25"
48	31°44'31"	79°17'24"
49	31°43'20"	79°18'27"
50	31°42'26"	79°20'41"
51	31°41'09"	79°22'26"
52	31°39'36"	79°23'59"
53	31°37'54"	79°25'29"
54	31°35'57"	79°27'14"
55	31°34'14"	79°28'24"
56	31°31'08"	79°29'59"
57	31°30'26"	79°29'52"
58	31°29'11"	79°30'11"
59	31°27'58"	79°31'41"
60	31°27'06"	79°32'08"
61	31°26'22"	79°32'48"
62	31°24'21"	79°33'51"
63	31°22'53"	79°34'41"
64	31°21'03"	79°36'01"
65	31°20'00"	79°37'12"
66	31°18'34"	79°38'15"
67	31°16'49"	79°38'36"
68	31°13'06"	79°38'19"
70	31°11'04"	79°38'39"
70	31°09'28"	79°39'09"

71	31°07'44"	79°40'21"
72	31°05'53"	79°41'27"
73	31°04'40"	79°42'09"
74	31°02'58"	79°42'28"
75	31°01'03"	79°42'40"
76	30°59'50"	79°42'43"
77	30°58'27"	79°42'43"
78	30°57'15"	79°42'50"
79	30°56'09"	79°43'28"
80	30°54'49"	79°44'53"
81	30°53'44"	79°46'24"
82	30°52'47"	79°47'40"
83	30°51'45"	79°48'16"
84	30°48'36"	79°49'02"
85	30°45'24"	79°49'55"
86	30°41'36"	79°51'31"
87	30°38'38"	79°52'23"
88	30°37'00"	79°52'37"
89	30°37'00"	80°05'00"
90	30°34'06"	80°05'55"
91	30°27'00"	80°07'41"
92	30°23'53"	80°08'09"
93	30°19'23"	80°09'23"
94	30°13'18"	80°11'15"
95	30°07'56"	80°12'20"
96	30°00'00"	80°13'00"
97	30°00'09"	80°09'30"

98	30°03'00"	80°09'30"
99	30°03'00"	80°06'00"
100	30°04'00"	80°02'46"
101	29°59'16"	80°04'11"
102	29°49'12"	80°05'44"
103	29°43'59"	80°06'24"
104	29°38'37"	80°06'53"
105	29°36'54"	80°07'18"
106	29°31'59"	80°07'32"
107	29°29'14"	80°07'18"
108	29°21'48"	80°05'01"
109	29°20'25"	80°04'29"
110	29°08'00"	79°59'43"
111	29°06'56"	79°59'07"
112	29°05'59"	79°58'44"
113	29°03'34"	79°57'37"
114	29°02'11"	79°56'59"
115	29°00'00"	79°55'32"
116	28°56'55"	79°54'22"
117	28°55'00"	79°53'31"
118	28°53'35"	79°52'51"
119	28°51'47"	79°52'07"
120	28°50'25"	79°51'27"
121	28°49'53"	79°51'20"
122	28°49'01"	79°51'20"
123	28°48'19"	79°51'10"
124	28°47'13"	79°50'59"

**Comment [AME6]:** Points 88-101 of current regulations are revised for the extension. Points 102 through the end are all renumbered (current # minus 1)

125	28°43'30"	79°50'36"
126	28°41'05"	79°50'04"
127	28°40'27"	79°50'07"
128	28°39'50"	79°49'56"
129	28°39'04"	79°49'58"
130	28°36'43"	79°49'35"
131	28°35'01"	79°49'24"
132	28°30'37"	79°48'35"
133	28°14'00"	79°46'20"
134	28°11'41"	79°46'12"
135	28°08'02"	79°45'45"
136	28°01'20"	79°45'20"
137	27°58'13"	79°44'51"
138	27°56'23"	79°44'53"
139	27°49'40"	79°44'25"
140	27°46'27"	79°44'22"
141	27°42'00"	79°44'33"
142	27°36'08"	79°44'58"
143	27°30'00"	79°45'29"
144	27°29'04"	79°45'47"
145	27°27'05"	79°45'54"
146	27°25'47"	79°45'57"
147	27°19'46"	79°45'14"
148	27°17'54"	79°45'12"
149	27°12'28"	79°45'00"
150	27°07'45"	79°46'07"
151	27°04'47"	79°46'29"



152	27°00'43"	79°46'39"
153	26°58'43"	79°46'28"
154	26°57'06"	79°46'32"
155	26°49'58"	79°46'54"
156	26°48'58"	79°46'56"
157	26°47'01"	79°47'09"
158	26°46'04"	79°47'09"
159	26°35'09"	79°48'01"
160	26°33'37"	79°48'21"
161	26°27'56"	79°49'09"
162	26°25'55"	79°49'30"
163	26°21'05"	79°50'03"
164	26°20'30"	79°50'20"
165	26°18'56"	79°50'17"
166	26°16'19"	79°54'06"
167	26°13'48"	79°54'48"
168	26°12'19"	79°55'37"
169	26°10'57"	79°57'05"
170	26°09'17"	79°58'45"
171	26°07'11"	80°00'22"
172	26°06'12"	80°00'33"
173	26°03'26"	80°01'02"
174	26°00'35"	80°01'13"
175	25°49'10"	80°00'38"
176	25°48'30"	80°00'23"
177	25°46'42"	79°59'14"
178	25°27'28"	80°02'26"

179	25°24'06"	80°01'44"
180	25°21'04"	80°01'27"
181	25°21'04"	at outer boundary of EEZ

**Comment [AF7]:** Both the origin and point 181 no longer lie on the EEZ (a frequently updated boundary)

(B) The outer boundary of the EEZ in a northerly direction from Point 181 to the Origin.

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(i) Shrimp access area A is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

**Comment [AME8]:** Action 3, Pref Alt 4. Alters the shrimp access area A

Point	North lat.	West long.
Origin	30°06'30"	80°02'02"
1	30°06'30"	80°05'40"
2	30°03'	80°09'30"
3	30°03'	80°06'
4	30°04'	80°02'46"
5	29°59'16"	80°04'11"
6	29°49'12"	80°05'44"
7	29°43'59"	80°06'24"
8	29°38'37"	80°06'53"
9	29°36'54"	80°07'18"
10	29°31'59"	80°07'32"
11	29°29'14"	80°07'18"
12	29°21'48"	80°05'01"
13	29°20'25"	80°04'29"
14	29°20'25"	80°03'11"

15	29°21'48"	80°03'52"
16	29°29'14"	80°06'08"
17	29°31'59"	80°06'23"
18	29°36'54"	80°06'
19	29°38'37"	80°05'43"
20	29°43'59"	80°05'14"
21	29°49'12"	80°04'35"
22	29°59'16"	80°03'01"
23	30°06'30"	80°00'53"
Origin	30°06'30"	80°02'02"

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